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**"Sometimes two Mekubbalim are found in the same city,  
and seven in a kingdom."—THE SOHAR.**

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# The Arcane Schools.

A REVIEW OF THEIR ORIGIN AND ANTIQUITY.

BY JOHN YARKER, MANCHESTER, ENG.

A General History of Freemasonry, and its Relation to the Theosophical, Scientific, and Philosophic Mysteries. The author, John Yarker, is a P. M., P. Z. M., etc., 33°, 96°, Hon. Member of many Craft and High Grade Systems abroad, Hon. IX° of the Rosicrucians, etc., etc. This work is now passing through the press and will be published in the early Spring of 1909. The price will be Twelve shillings (\$2.00) net; the postage to be added. Orders can now be forwarded to the publisher, who will notify all subscribers when it is ready. Please address WILLIAM TAIT, 3 Wellington Park Avenue, Belfast, Ireland. The work will be an octavo volume of about 500 pages with appendices and index. The contents and character of the volume is described in the following

## PREFACE TO THE ARCANES SCHOOLS.

In the following pages I have sought to satisfy a request of ten made to me, to give a short but comprehensive view of the whole fabric of the Arcane Mysteries, and their affinity with the Masonic system; and I here take the opportunity of recording my protest against the sceptical tendencies of the present generation of the Moderns who are Masons, and against the efforts that are made, in season and out of season, to underrate the indubitable antiquity of the Masonic ceremonies. These efforts which tend to lower the prestige of our ancient Craft are not altogether without good results, as they have led to a more careful examination of our Masonic legends and of ancient documents; and I may say, for myself, that the more I have read of this sceptical literature the more convinced I have felt of the great antiquity of our esoteric ceremonies, modernised though they have been from time to time in the course of centuries. It is no compliment to the Masons who founded the Grand Lodge of England in 1717, and who, however ill-informed they may have been in London, yet, as is ample proved, accepted old customs of the Guilds with discrimination, to suppose that they unanimously undertook to impose upon the public a system as ancient which they themselves were engaged in concocting, nor is it any compliment to the intelligence of their imagined victims. Whether or not I succeed in convincing the candid reader of the great antiquity of the Institution must be left to time; those of my readers who are pledged to the views of these Moderns will no doubt adhere through life to the ideas in which they have indoctrinated themselves, but enquiry is progressing, and there is still a very large substratum of the Craft whose belief is yet strong in the good faith of their predecessors, whether in what was last century termed Ancients or Moderns, and it is to such that I more particularly address

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**THE THEOSOPHIC VOICE.** An independent, unofficial journal, published in the interests of the American Section of the Theosophical Society. For Theosophy and for America. May, 1908, is the first number. Eleanor M. Hiestand Moore, M. D., editor. Quarterly; \$1.00 a year. Address 6054 Monroe Ave., Chicago, Ill.

**FRAGMENTS.** An octavo quarterly of 16 pages. Original and reprint articles: Theosophy, philosophy, religion, and science. Published at 1912 Westlake Boulevard, Seattle, Wash. Monthly from Feb., 1905, to Sept., 1906; quarterly from Jan., 1907, to Oct., 1907, 24 numbers.

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**The Book of the Secrets of Enoch.** Translated from the Slavonic by W. R. Morfill, and edited, with preface, introduction, notes, and indices. By R. H. Charles. Cloth, 8vo, pp. 148. Oxford, 1896.

**The Apocalypse of Baruch.** Translated from the Syriac. (Chapters I-LXXVII from the sixth century MS. in the Ambrosian Library of Milan, and chapters LXXVII-LXXXVII, the Epistle of Baruch) from a new and critical text based on ten MSS. and published herewith. Edited, with introduction, notes, and indices. By R. H. Charles. Dedicated "To My Wife." Cloth, 12mo, pp. 260. London, 1896.

**The Assumption of Moses.** Translated from the Latin sixth century MS., the amended text of which is published, together with the text in its restored and critically amended form. Edited, with introduction, notes, and indices. By R. H. Charles. Cloth, 12mo, pp. 184. London, 1897.

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**The Book of Jubilees, or The Little Genesis.** Translated from the editor's Ethiopic Text, and edited, with introduction,

notes, and indices. By R. H. Charles. Dedicated "To the Reverend George Salmon, D. D., Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, with an old pupil's admiration and gratitude." Cloth, 8vo, pp. 388. London, 1902.

The Testament of The Twelve Patriarchs. Translated from the Editor's Greek Text, and edited, with introduction, notes, and indices. By R. H. Charles. Dedicated "To My Wife." Cloth, 8vo, pp. 348. London, 1906. \*

\* The Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs, the Sons of Jacob. Translated out of the Greek into Latin by Robert Grosthead, Sometime Bishop of Lincoln; and out of his copy into French and Dutch by others, and now Englished. To the Credit whereof, an Ancient Greek Copy, written on Parchment, is kept in the University Library at Cambridge. Falkirk, 1793. Introduction: "To the Christian Reader," by Richard Day. Last page: An account, How these Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs were first found, and by whose means they were translated out of Greek into Latin. Leather bound, 18mo, pp 118. Printed and sold by Patrick Mair.

The Fourth Book of Ezra. The Missing Fragments of the Latin Translation. Discovered and edited, with an introduction and notes. Robert L. Bensly. Edited for the Syndics of the University Press. With a facsimile. Cloth, 4to, pp. 88. Cambridge, 1875.

The Book of the Acts of Thekla. The Ethiopic Book is preserved in two British Museum Codices, the 15th century (A) and the 18th (B). Permission to publish the text was given by Mr. Margoliouth and Mr. Budge of the British Museum. Edited and translated by Edgar J. Goodspeed, with introduction. Paper covers, 8vo, pp. 36. Chicago, 1901.

The Conflict of The Holy Apostles. An Apocryphal Book of the Early Eastern Church. Translated from an Ethiopic MS. To which are added: The Epistle of S. Dionysius the Areopagite to Timothy, also translated from an Ethiopic MS.; and the Rest or Assumption of S. John the Evangelist, translated from the Armenian. By S. C. Malan. Cloth, 16mo, pp. 256. London, 1871.

The Book of Adam and Eve. Also, called The Conflict of Adam and Eve with Satan. A Book of the Early Eastern



Church. Translated from the Ethiopic, with notes from the Kufale, Talmud, Midrashim, and other Eastern works. By S. C. Malan. Cloth, 8vo, pp. 256. London, 1882.

The Exodus of Moses. The Life of the holy Prophet Moses, and how he ruled among the Saracens, and how he resisted King Pharaoh and Balaam the Wizard, and how he brought the People out of Egypt. Edited and translated from the Slavonic, with introduction, and notes. By W. R. Morfill, Cloth, 8vo.

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The Ascension of Isaiah The Prophet. Translated from the Ethiopic by Richard Laurence. Oxford, 1819.

The Ascension of Isaiah The Prophet. Reprinted in clysclo styll manuscript by John Thomson. Ornamented. title page. Cloth, 8vo, pp. 72. Glasgow, 1889.

Sayings of the Jewish Fathers. Comprising Pirke Aboth and Pereq R. Meir, in Hebrew and English, with critical and illustrative notes; and specimen pages of the Cambridge University Manuscript of the Mishnah: 'Jerushalmith, from which the text of Aboth is taken. Edited for the Syndics of the Cambridge University Press. By Charles Taylor. Cloth, 8vo, pp. 112. Cambridge, 1877.

The Sepher Toldoth Jeshu, The Book of the Generation of Jesus. Translated from the Latin in Wagenseil's *Tela Ignea Satanae*. First English translation. Appendix to "Revelations of Antichrist, Concerning Christ and Christianity." By "Scholasticus." Cloth, 12mo, pp. 378. Appendix, "Sepher Toldoth Jeshu," translation and notes by "Scholasticus," pp. 68, 12mo. New York, 1879.

Also published in a pamphlet, 12mo, pp. 30. New York, 1878.

Sayings of Our Lord. (Logia Iesou.) From an Early Greek Papyrus; Discovered, edited and translated, with commentary. By Bernard P. Grenfell and Arthur S. Hunt. Facsimile plates. Paper covers, 8vo, pp. 20. London, 1897.

The Pistis Sophia. A Gnostic Gospel, originally translated from the Greek into Coptic and now for the first time Englished from Schwartz's Latin Version of the only known Coptic MS, and checked by Amèlineau's French Version, with an Introduction. (With Extracts from the Books of the Saviour appended). By G. R. S. Mead. Cloth, 8vo, pp. 488. London, 1896.

Fragments of An Uncanonical Gospel from Oxyrhynchus. Edited with a translation and commentary. By Bernard P. Grenfell and Arthur S. Hunt. Paper covers, 8vo. Oxford, 1908.

The Gospel of Barnabas. With a facsimile. Text and translation. Text on the left page, and translation on the right. Edited and translated by Lonsdale and Laura Ragg. Dedicatory preface by J. F. Cramer. An introduction of 76 pages. Cloth, 8vo, pp. 576. Oxford, 1907.

The Life of Jesus Christ, The Great Master of The Cross and the Serpent. With his Discourses to his Disciples, according to the Testimony of Saint Matthew the Apostle and Evangelist. Rendered from the Original Documents. By Holden E. Sampson. Cloth, 8vo, pp. 396. Published by Peter Davidson. Loudsville, White Co., Ga., 1904.

The Unknown Life of Jesus Christ. From an Ancient Manuscript, recently discovered in a Buddhist Monastery in Thibet by Nicholas Notovich. Translated from the French and edited, with an introduction and illustrations, by Virchand R. Gandhi, Bombay, India. Revised by Prof. G. Christie, of the University of Paris, Illustrated. Cloth, 12mo, pp. 169. Chicago, 1907. (First edition, Chicago, 1897.)

The Crucifixion of Jesus. A Letter Written Seven Years After the Crucifixion by a Personal Friend of Jesus in Jerusalem to an Esseer Brother in Alexandria. (Second edition of "Concealed Information Concerning Jesus," published in Chicago, 1873.) Frontispiece: Likeness of Jesus, oldest known, found on a tomb in the Catacombs. "Addressed to Students and Friends of the Great School" Preface by the translator. Cloth, 12mo, pp. Chicago, 1907.

**The Testament of Abraham.** Greek Text now first edited, with introduction and notes. By Montague R. James. Compared with two recensions and to the Arabic version ; section by section, parallel columns, in English. Appendix : containing extracts translations from the Arabic version of Testaments of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. By W. E. Barnes. Paper, 8vo. pp. 166. Cambridge, 1892.

**The Samaritan Chronicle.** The Book of Joshua the Son of Nun. Translated from the Arabic, with notes (46 pages), by Oliver Turnbull Crane, M. A. Cloth, 12mo, pp. 178. New York, 1890.

**The Sword of Moses.** An Ancient Book from an Unique ms. With introduction, translation, index of mystical names, and a facsimile. By M. Gaster. Paper, 8vo, pp. 90. London, 1896.

**The Original book of Genesis, or The Beginnings.** Being portion of the "Ancient Word," as preserved in Thibet, China, and now restored in English. Edited by a Minister of the New Dispensation (Rev I. G. Ouseley). Paper, 12mo. pp. 50. New edition. Paris, Jerusalem, and Madras, 1900.

**A Collection of Gospels, Epistles, and other pieces,** extant from early Christian centuries, not included in the Canon of Scripture. (16 books). Translated from the original tongues, and now reprinted. Cloth, 12mo, pp. 128. Glasgow, 1884.

**Legends of the Patriarchs and Prophets, and other Old Testament Characters.** From various sources. By S. Baring-Gould. Cloth, 8vo. pp. 396. New York, 1872.

**The Lost and Hostile Gospels.** A essay on The Toledoth Jeschu, and the Petrine and Pauline Gospels of the first three centuries of which fragments remain. By S. Baring-Gould. Cloth, 8vo, pp. 338. London, 1874.

**The Arbula.** A Sacred Book, containing Old and New Gospels, derived and translated from the Inspiration of Original Saints. Andrew J. Davis. Cloth, 12mo, pp. 88. Boston, 1873.

**The Book of the Angels.** The Atlantis. Interpreted by D. Bridgman-Metchim. With 32 illustrations by the author. "There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men and they bear children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown" (Genesis vi, 4). Cloth, royal octavo, pp. 462. London, 1900.

The "Popol Vuh," or Book of the Holy Assembly. The Bible of the Quiches of Central America. Translated by Dr. Kenneth Sylvan Guthrie, of Philadelphia. The name Popol Vuh most literally translated is "The Senate Book." But the *Book of the Holy Assembly* best coincides with the name. The translation of Dr. Guthrie has been published in *The Word*, in chapters, commencing in Vol. II, No. 1, October, 1905, and continued and concluded in Vol. IV, No. 2, November, 1906 (14 Nos), in twelve chapters.

The Sepher Ha-Zohar; or The Book of Light. Containing the doctrines of the Kabbalah, together with the discourses and teachings of its author, the great Kabbalist, Rabbi Simeon ben Jochai, and now for the first time wholly translated into English, with notes, references, and expository remarks. By Nurho de Eanhar. This translation is now being published in *The Word*, chapters, commencing in Vol. IV, No. 4, January, 1907, and continuing in 15 Nos. thus far, Vol. VII, No. 1 (April, 1908).

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The Book of Light and Life, or The Essence of the Sohar Pertaining to the Mysteries of Man, the Christ and the Coming Kingdom. Humanity, The Soul, Ancient Initiations, etc. By Peter Dovidson. Paper, 8vo, pp. 254. Loudsville, Ga., 1891.

The Kabbalah Unveiled. Kabbala Denudata. Containing the following books of the Zohar: I. The Book of Concealed Mystery. II. The Greater Holy Assembly. III. The Lesser Holy Assembly. Translated into English from the Latin Version of Knorr Von Rosenroth, and Collated with the Original Chaldee and Hebrew Text. By S. L. MacGregor Mathers. Folding charts, maps, diagrams. Third edition. Cloth, 8vo, pg. 350. London, 1907.

The Blazing Star; with an Appendix treating of The Jewish Kabbala. Also a tract on The Philosophy of Herbert Spencer. and one on New-England Transcendentalism. By William B. Greene. Cloth, 12mo, pp.: Blazing Star, 24; Jewish Kabbala, 84; Herbert Spencer, 36; N. E. Transcendentalism, 36; total pp. 180 Boston, 1872.

The Talmud. Selections from the contents of that Ancient Book. Its Commentaries, Teachings, Poetry and Legends. Also brief sketches of the men who made and commented upon it. Translated from the original. By H. Polano. Cloth, 12mo, pp. 360. Philadelphia, 1876.



## New Publications.

THE PERFECT WAY, OR THE FINDING OF CHRIST. By Anna (Bonus) Kingsford, M. D., and Edward Maitland. Sixth edition. Blue Cloth, 12mo, pp. 408. Theosophical Publishing Co., 244 Lenox Avenue, New York, 1908. Price, prepaid, \$2 50.

The preface to this new edition says : " That which ' The Perfect Way ' represents is neither an invention nor a compilation, but first, a discovery, and next, a recovery — a discovery because it is the result from an attempt, and proved successful by the issue, to ascertain at first hand the nature and method of existence ; and it represents a recovery because the system propounded in it has proved to be that which constitutes the basic and secret doctrine of all the great religions of antiquity, including Christianity, the doctrine commonly called the ' Gnosis,' and variously entitled Hermetic and Kabbalistic."

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Address the publishers, for this work, New York City.

" The Perfect Way " consists of nine lectures, delivered in London in the early '80's, and first published in a quarto volume in London, 1882. Cloth, pp. preface xiv, lectures 310, appendix 32, total 356 pages, with ten illustrations. Dr. Anna Kingsford published a small book as a sort of key-note to " The Perfect Way," in 1884, containing some curious predictions :

"How The World Came to an End in 1881." Limp, 16mo, pp. 84. London, Anno Domini 1884; Anno Dominæ 3.

This book contains eight unique chapters on prophecies, and among them are: Popular Predictions of the World's End, The Prophecy of Trithemius, The Prophecies of the Bible, the Great Pyramid, and the Zodiac; The Prophetic Condition of the End, The New Era, and Conclusions. Trithemius, who lived in the 16th century, was an Abbot of a monastery, a wise man of irreproachable life, and accounted one of the greatest occultists of the Christian period. In his work, "Concerning the Seven Secondaries, or Spiritual Intelligences, who, after God, actuate the Universe," uniquely shows that each of the seven angels reigns  $354\frac{1}{2}$  years, making a complete cycle  $2480\frac{1}{2}$  years, and when finished it is repeated in the same order. Trithemius, therefore, by rigid calculation, made the cycle to end in November, 1879, as the epoch of the reign of Michael, and the beginning of a new era and the foundation of a new universal kingdom. Hence, as writings *apropos*, Dr. Kingsford places as forewords to her little book the texts in Daniel (xii, 9) and in the Apocalypse of John (xii, 7-8). The frontispiece is Michael destroying the dragon.

The Abbé Alphonse Constant says, "This is the key to all the prophecies, ancient and modern, and a method surpassing in mathematical precision that of Isaiah and Jeremiah. "Eliphas Lévi" sketches the broad outlines of philosophy and history, and distributes the world's whole course among the Seven Genii or the Archangles of the Kabbalah, the Elohim of the Hebrews. The more extended details of this author's exposition of Trithemius, is given in the following book, which see:

"The Magical Ritual of the Sanctum Regnum." Interpreted by the Tarot Trumps. Translated from the manuscripts of Eliphas Lévi and edited by W. Wynn Westcott, M. D., Magus of the Rosicrucian Society of England. Illustrated with eight plates. Cloth, 12mo, pp. 118. London, 1896.

This translation is published with the consent of Edward Maitland the possessor of the unpublished manuscripts of Eliphas Lévi. Mr. Maitland was the eminent collaborateur of the late Dr. Anna Kingsford. The manuscript is in the autograph of the Abbot's hand and was given to Mr. Maitland by the Baron Spedalieri, so well known as the friend, disciple, and literary heir of Eliphas Lévi.

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